THE OWASIPPE STAFF ASSOCIATION

P. O. Box 7097 • Westchester, IL 60153

Bulletin: December 86

Happy Holidays

Jewel Days: On December 29, 30, 31, the OSA will sponsor a grocery shopping benefit at any Jewel food store . . . just in time for the new year's festivities. We hope you can arrange your shopping schedule to assist the OSA. For your efforts, the OSA will receive 5% of your pre-tax register receipt. All you need to remember is to drop off the enclosed certificate to the cashier as you pay your bill. Your further assistance is requested in distributing the extra certificates to friends and relatives. In this calendar year, the OSA has received approximately $250.00 from Shop & Share activities.

'87 Calendar: Before the new year begins, you should receive from us a 1987 calendar. In it, we note important dates for the Association as well as important dates for Owasippe and the Chicago Area Council. We encourage you to set aside some time to celebrate and work with your friends at some or all of our scheduled events.

Membership: It is that time again to re-register your membership with the Association. Annual dues are $5. Multiple-year registrations are also welcome. Life membership is $100 . . . paid only once. We have had five new life members in recent weeks. HINT: To check your registration year status, look above your name on the mailing label. Questions may be directed to Membership Chairman Mike Finnegan at 586-4260.

Nominations: Four positions are open on the Board of Directors this year, three carrying a three-year term, one carrying a one-year term. Completing their terms in office are Pat Monahan, Mike Schlagel, Joe Sener and Jack Coussens. Nominees must be currently registered and have served on the Owasippe staff for two years. In addition to a sincere interest in Owasippe and the OSA, candidates must be willing to commit significant amounts of time to the service of our membership. The association continues to grow, and it needs strong, dedicated leadership. Nominate a member for office *today* by forwarding the name in writing to our P. O. Box. Nominations close on Feb. 1, but for nominees to be listed in our February bulletin, we'll need the names by Jan. 5.

Annual Dinner Dance: Our banquet this year promises to be one of the best of all time. On March 7, we will again celebrate at Giannotti's Restaurant and Hall, 7709 W. Roosevelt in Forest Park. Information regarding ticket prices will be enclosed with our calendar mailing. We'll also include information upon our '87 Year Book, which continues to provide a valuable source of revenue for our Association.

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December 15, 1986

Dear OSA Member:

As members of the OSA Board of Directors, we would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a most joyous holiday and best wishes in the new year.

As this year closes, we are pleased to say that our Association has completed the most significant year in its history. Through the generous help of our many members, we have completed the first and largest phase of an ambitious $25,000 project at Owasippe. Plans have already been developed to complete this project, which we began eighteen months ago. Many of our members have also actively involved themselves in the operations of Owasippe: some as members of the camp staff, others on camp promotion teams and the trails committee. We have also seen tremendous growth in membership during the year, with almost fifty new members and several new life members.

We are most gratified by the support we have received from you, and we thank you sincerely for a wonderful year. Ours is an organization of good friends, and we celebrate with you this holiday season. We also look forward to the challenges of 1987.

Yours truly,

Jack Coussens
Mike Finnegan
Mike O'Reilly
Joe Sener
Bill Schaefer

Pat Monahan
Mike Schlagel
George Johnson
John Maluta

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Pizza Nite, Friday, Nov. 28: Take some time out from your busy holiday to visit with your friends at the **Ted Stempien VFW Hall, 4235 W. 47th Street in Chicago**. Last year, many OSA members and guests visited with old friends, learned the latest news about Owasippe, and feasted on scrumptious, hot pizza. Don't miss this opportunity to celebrate with us. Look for registration information in our November newsletter or call Mike Finnegan today at 586-4260. **Advance registration is $6.00** ($7.00 at the door).

Dominick Days: On October 13, 14, 15, the OSA will sponsor a grocery shopping benefit at Dominick's Finer Foods. We hope you can arrange your shopping schedule to assist the Association in raising needed funds. For your shopping on these dates, the OSA will receive 5% of your pre-tax register receipt. All you need to remember is to drop off the enclosed certificate to the cashier as you pay your bill. Your further assistance is requested in distributing the extra certificates to friends and relatives. We greatly appreciate your support.

Camp Promotion: Working closely with representatives of the Order of the Arrow and the CAC professional staff, Mark Behnke is coordinating the efforts of the OSA this year in camp promotion. In recent years, our association has taken an expanded role in promotion, spreading the news about Owasippe to Scouters throughout the Council. Mark is now looking for OSA members who are interested in assisting us in promoting Owasippe. He hopes to form a large team, about twenty members, so that the efforts required of each member are easily manageable. In this endeavor, we can really make a difference for Owasippe. Call Mark today (354-9181) if you can help.

Project Update: Our project committee has received authorization from the Chicago Area Council to go ahead with the second phase of our two-year building project. With the ranges at Blackhawk and Carlen completed, we now turn our attention to the rennovation of the ranges at Wolverine and Crown. At present we are still $1000.00 in plegdes short of our two-year fund-raising goal of $24,000.00. If you have not yet pledged toward our project, we encourage you to do so today. We also encourage our members who have not yet redeemed pledges to do so soon. A detailed description of our rennovation plans will be printed in our November issue of the *Vibrations*

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